

ASHLAND UNIVERSITY.

We are pleased to say that while comparatively few congregations have sent in their apportionments, that they are everywhere busily engaged in collecting up their subscriptions and preparing to meet the payment of their apportionments for the liquidation of the balance of the indebtedness of the institution. We are glad to learn that they see the importance of saving our only educational institution to the church, and the fallacy of allowing it to go out of our hands, after investing personal donations of over \$10,000.00. The past management of the institution has had a tendency to hold back the progress of the work of our committee, and some fear has been entertained that the present and future management would do no better, but gradually these prejudices have been overcome, from the fact that the members of the Finance Committee were in no way connected with the past history of the school, and the reproof that the past management has received should be sufficient to ever after this inspire cautiousness into its future management, and we feel confident that a school in the interests of our fraternity can be conducted when the indebtedness is removed, and by the support of a theological department by the church, without incurring any shortages, and that an institution of this kind is highly necessary for the maintenance of our fraternity, is beyond dispute in any thoughtful mind.

The following is a memorandum of the congregations who have adjusted their apportionments:

Louisville, Ohio,.....	\$200.00
Ashland City Church,.....	125.00
Fredericksburgh, Pa.,.....	50.00
Bryan, O.,.....	40.00
New Enterprise, Pa.,.....	105.00
Highland, Pa.,—(part).....	11.50
Ankneytown, Ohio,.....	150.00
North Liberty, Ohio,.....	120.00
Berne, Ind.,—(part).....	10.00
Grove Church, Pa.,.....	30.00
Philadelphia, Pa.,.....	175.00
South Bend, Ind.,.....	100.00
Auburn, Ind.,.....	52.00
Gravelton, Ind.,.....	50.00
Claypool, Ind.,.....	25.00
Masontown, Pa.,.....	50.00
Somerset, Pa.,.....	50.00

Now let there not be any delay in this work, but let the apportionments come in as rapidly as possible, as the time is very short in which to meet the demands of our mortgagees. They have indeed been very patient owing to the interests that they have taken in our welfare and our many promises, and for the satisfaction of all we want to say that according to the

conditions of the apportionment plan, we do hereby assure the fraternity that if we fail to secure the entire indebtedness in these apportionments, that the same be returned to the congregations from whom they come.

Now let us see how many more we can report in the next issue of this paper.

Yours Fraternally,
A. U. FINANCE COMMITTEE,
JOHN KEIM, Sec.

A CHICAGO LETTER.

THE GOOD WORK CONTINUES.

Last Sunday night we had another good meeting. The K. C. was led by sister Maud Reed, and was enjoyed by all. Brother Cassell preached for me on the subject, Dead to Sin, Alive to Christ. He gave us a good practical talk. At the conclusion of the services when the invitation was extended, a brother and sister came out and received the right hand of Christian fellowship; they will work under the Gospel alone rule hereafter, and peace and prosperity attend them. After service a young sister said she desired baptism on Thursday night. Brother Cassel has spent several nights with us and he will no doubt tell of his visit, which was appreciated.

AN AFTER MEETING.

After services on Sunday night three strangers came in the mission room; they were Harry Monroe and two of his workers. They had been holding services in a church near by, and seeing our mission sign came in. I had seen and heard them and invited them to say a word; as Sister Clymer use to sing, Just a little word for Jesus. Brother Monroe called on Mr. Lane to speak, who told us that for nearly forty years he had lived a life of sin; for five years he could not sleep without drugs, now he was clean, and serving the Lord. The other brother told how he was a loafer and a drunkard, and found Christ and was saved. Mr. Monroe told how he came into a mission drunk and went out saved. Brother Blain Replogle and Cassel also spoke, and others, and it was good to be there. I have promised to speak at the Pacific garden Mission, Friday night, and they will give us a man. Praise the Lord for his goodness.

A SAD CASE OF SIN.

All sin brings sadness, but some at times appeals to our sympathy more than others. Brother Will Farr, one of our members, tells of seeing a young woman about eighteen years of age, clad only in a wrapper, taken into a drug store. She was found unconscious on the street having taken a narcotic, she was brought back to life, and coming to her senses she cursed those who had rescued her. Think of the

sin and shame that would prompt a girl of that age to attempt her life, and yet such scenes are not uncommon; girls in their own homes had much better suffer some inconvenience and live, than to seek the over crowded city and go to sin, despair and death.

PRACTICAL RELIGION.

I spoke in a former letter of a little girl destitute, that has been remedied; and sister Sadie returning home to-day brought from sister Baer, of Milledgeville, two new dresses for the little one. How happy she will be. Sister Quackenbush and Salmons visited a sick family and cleaned the house from A to Z, and then washed for them; that is practical religion and will bring its reward. We know some so called mission workers who will not visit a poor family or put their dear hands in water to wash a dish, they desire to stand high in the estimation of their fellowman, but in heart fail to love their fellowman. God does not use people that are built that way, as we have evidence right here in this city; it is one thing to profess, and another thing to possess. To save humanity you must get in touch with man; if he is in the mud you cannot find him and lift him up if afraid of soiling your kid gloves. Kid glove religion and high sounding words go together. Those who love the Lord, follow Him and love to seek and save the lost, even though it causes them to crucify the flesh, and give up cherished plans. Christ was not afraid to touch the leper.

A BIG HEARTED MAN.

Sister Ora Turner, in writing about a box of provisions, says of one who donated, "The man that sent the potatoes had help himself, so you see he has a large heart and is willing to divide what he has with those that may be more needy." Yes! there are those that have big hearts and they are true helpers. We find them all around us. The Brethren church is full of big hearted people, we know many of them, and because of the generous gifts many hungry ones have been fed and the naked clothed. We are visiting the sick, clothing the naked, feeding the hungry and seeking to represent Christ as we meet the least of these my brethren, there are brighter homes and happier hearts in this great city because of our work here in the last four months. Our past experience in city life and ways have helped us here; we could at once adapt ourselves to the situation and get into practical touch with burdened humanity. Brother Joe Cunningham paid us a short visit last Wednesday night on his way home and encouraged us to press on in the work. Come again,